

## OUR DUMB FRIENDS.

### A LARGE MEETING LAST NIGHT

Congregational Church Crowded—Addresses by  
Judge MacArthur, Henry Bergh, Commis-  
sioner Loring, and Others—Prizes  
for Essays Awarded.

The Congregational Church was held to overlook the meeting, who assembled to take part in the meeting of the society. The report of Cruelty to Animals and heard the remarks of the founder of these associations, Henry Bergh of New York. At half past seven o'clock sharp the president of the society, Mr. Henry M. Stephens, of the platform, called the meeting to order. The platform was occupied by Mr. Bergh, Commissioner Loring, Commissioner Deane, and Mr. Stephens. Mr. Stephens then Mr. Arthur made a brief speech at the opening, in which he said that since the last meeting of the society its work had proceeded with a reasonable degree of satisfaction, when it was considered how much of the work of the society had been done within the last ten months through the instrumentality of the agents and members of the society over

THIRTY-THREE THOUSAND INSTANCES OF CRUELTY TO domestic animals had been brought before the courts; that many of these cases had been of a character that rendered it impracticable to secure their punishment; that the society had secured enough penalties imposed to convince the people of the Capital that the society was thoroughly earnest in its work, and meant to bring the law into parties to justice; that, speaking for himself, he trusted that the society would be able to secure the courts were constituted as at present he would

guarantee that exact justice would be meted to all  
 offenders of this character. In conclusion he in-  
 dicated that the world would no longer be filled  
 with papers in the press upon which the names of  
 their names and the amounts they were willing to  
 subscribe to support this good work, and then in-  
 troduced

REV. EDWARD TERRY HALE.

This eloquent divine came forward, and in a  
 brief but eloquent speech expressed his hearty  
 sympathy with so commendable a purpose, and  
 expressed his confidence that the cause of  
 the fidelity and devotion manifested by animals.  
 His remarks were listened to with deep attention  
 and greeted with frequent and prolonged ap-  
 plause. George Martineau then arose and said:—

"We have a very distinguished gentleman with  
 us this evening. But a few years have elapsed  
 since the name of Henry Bergh was coupled  
 with anything but respectful language, but now  
 we have a man of his rank and position taken,  
 he has sent his name over the world coupled  
 with terms of honor and admiration. The founda-  
 tion of the single society which he laid in New  
 York has taken root all over the Union, and in  
 the most brilliant of all spheres, with the  
 greatest pleasure I introduce

MR. BERGH, THE FOUNDER OF THESE SOCIETIES."

As the well-known form of Mr. Bergh was read-  
 ing, the well-earned form was greeted with long  
 and prolonged applause. He then read his re-  
 marks with a short history of the work performed  
 in the establishment of the first society for the  
 prevention of cruelty to animals. Mr. Bergh gave a  
 full and complete account of his experiences in  
 carrying out this particular work, and then re-  
 viewed the cruelties which had been perpe-  
 trated in the name of science by the

advocates of civilization. Some of the incidents which have been reported are so calculated to arouse a thrill of horror to his senses and give them a new conception of this heretofore little known branch of the subject. Dr. Loring was next introduced and made an exceedingly interesting and instructive speech. The report of the committee selected to award the prizes for the most meritorious compositions, to be written and composed by the pupils of the public schools of the city, on "Kindness to Animals," and "Human Animals," was then read. In transmitting the report Superintendent J. O. Gano said: "I estimate that the attention of some two thousand school children has been attracted to the subject of kindness to animals; your society is especially interested, and about it they all have been conversing, reading, thinking and reviewing." The committee was composed as follows: Rev. J. E. Rankin, S. M. Smith, J. W. Hays, C. A. Johnson, Florence M. Johnson, Mary Seavey, and Mary A. McKinnis. The report of the committee

AWARDED THE PRIZES  
and made honorable mention as follows:  
High School—Miss Cora Paxton, \$9; Arthur M. Little, honorable mention.  
Eighth grade—Miss Mary A. Rowley, \$5; Miss Anna M. Blandy, \$5; Annabelle S. Gilbert, Master H. P. Keith, honorable mention.  
Seventh grade—Miss Annie Leonard; Miss Helen B. Weir, Master Lowell C. Williams, honorable mention.  
Sixth grade—Miss Mamie W. Charles, \$2.50; Miss Annie E. Holcomb, Miss Maggie H. Ferguson, honorable mention.  
Fifth grade—Miss Madeline Blandy, \$2.00; Miss Maed Lipscomb, Miss Minnie C. Durham, Master

Fourth grade—Master Loria W. Reid, Jr.; Master George Alstend, Master George T. Nelson, Jr., honorable mention.

Third grade—Miss Isabel Peckin, Jr.; Master Thomas Weston, honorable mention; Miss Lillian M. Hartford, honorable mention.

Second grade—Miss Mary E. Peckin, Jr., Miss E. E. Haukin, D. D., Rev. S. M. Shute, D. D., professor of English Literature of the Columbia University of New York; Miss E. E. Haukin, D. D., professor of English; Rev. D. W. Faunce, Mrs. Admiral Murray Miss J. M. Seavey, and Miss Mary A. McKinn.

First grade—The children received from Robert Collyer, esq., of New York, the following letter, expressing their regret at not being able to be present, and tendering their hearty sympathy in the bereavement of the late Mrs. George Alstend. The letter was so evident from the number of slips that passed into the hands of Secretary Douglas and his assistants that the contributions were many and liberal.

**GARFIELD'S SPIRIT.**

**Absent Things Said by Mrs. Richmond**  
and **Changed to the Dead President.**

At the annual meeting of the Ladies' Aid Society, Monday, the celebrated inspirational speaker, of Chicago, would deliver an address while under the influence of the spirit of the late President.

He had attracted a large audience to Lincoln Hall. The Hon. Warren Chace, of California, introduced the speaker, who in a few words placed herself *en rapport* with her audience. In words that flowed from her lips with a rapidity and ease that defied all manipulation, she described in chaste and elegant language the future state as revealed to her through her spiritual agency. The apostheosis of the departed spirit, she believed, the time was coming when there would be called into existence in the Government of this country. He believed that the office of President would be abolished, that there would be no necessity for an official seal, that the people, by electing the executive, Congress would only act as a check on its terms. The time is coming when, if this country would survive the shocks all nations' experience, every useless office must be abolished, and every man who is not a citizen of the world must be removed. A very rosy and Utopian future was painted. In that time there would be no wars; disputes would be adjudicated by means of a peace congress, sitting permanently. Capitalism would be abolished, and the entire department of the Government established to deal with criminals and properly correct them. No man present would be willing to be the executioner of another man. Why, then, should any man be hanged? "I am not a hanger-on," he said. "During the time I was sick," said the spirit, "nobody heard me utter a word against the man who was the cause of my being taken away. I must be pronounced insane from the absence of any motive." The spirit then recited a poem. Mr. Richmond speaks in Tallmadge Hall to-morrow morning and evening for the last time.

Yentzen, N. W. 361; James J. Flinter, of Boston, \$53,370; G. B. & F. Smith, of Boston, \$53,640; Glensy & Hewitt, of New York, \$53,843. The contract will be awarded to the Phoenix Iron Company.

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**The Search for De Long.**

Secretary Hunt has received a cable message from Lieutenant Harpor, stating that he left St. Petersburg Thursday night for Irkutsk via Orenburg. Secretary Hunt Friday morning also received a cable message from Mr. Hoffman, at St. Petersburg, as follows:

Your orders of January 13 have reached Melville. He answers as follows: "On road to Arctic Ocean. January 31. Telegram of January 13 received. So far no word from De Long. He will be found."